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Wednesday, November 8, 1893.

President Cleveland has designated Thursday, Nov. 30, as a "day of thanksgiving and praise, to be kept and observed by all the people of the land."

The extra session of Congress adjourned on Friday afternoon last, and the people of the country live in hopes that there will never be a repetition of the prolonged struggle.

The President has signed the bill extending for six months the time in which Chinese can register under the Geary law. Also, the New York world's fair prize winners exposition, and the bill conveying the battleship Illinois to the world's fair to the state of Illinois.

Now that the Detroit election is over, we sincerely hope that the papers of that city may find time to indulge in something of a more worthy nature than everlasting political mud throwing. There is too much dirt mixed up with modern politics.

Bad roads lead to profanity; they make men swear. Bad roads lead to intemperance; men think it necessary to fortify the inner man with a few drinks to enable them to stand a long journey through the mud. Bad roads lead to cruelty; the kindest hearted driver often has to stimulate a willing team with a lash. Bad roads lead to poverty; the wear and tear on wagons, harness and animals knock off a large per cent of profit.—Ex.

Silver Repeal Bill.

At last, after a lengthy and strong opposition, Congress has passed the bill repealing the silver clause of the Sherman act. The extra session of congress was called for this purpose, and it is regretted by the people of the country at large that so much time has been wasted in filibustering tactics before the much needed vote of Congress on the measure could be secured. However, it is at last accomplished, and the obnoxious law is now a dead letter. Let it so remain, buried in the past, as one of the most disastrous enactments ever foisted upon the American people.

Iron and Steel Protection.

How fallacious, unreasonable and unstatesmanlike are all the arguments that the United States must have protection against all the rest of the world in the protection of iron and steel. A few statistics published by the "British Iron Trade association" will show how groundless are the fears, and how baby-like the plea that Americans need protection. In 1892 the five principal iron producing countries made the following showing in the production of pig iron:

	Tons.
United States	3,157,000
Great Britain	2,816,000
Germany	2,785,000
France	2,022,000
Belgium	768,000

In the production of steel the figures are still more significant. For 1892 we have the following result:

	Tons.
United States	4,168,000
Great Britain	3,200,000
Germany	2,210,000
France	1,510,000
Belgium	210,000

The United States produce more steel than all the others combined. Yet it is claimed that the United States needs protection! We can safely challenge competition with the whole world.—Saginaw News.

That Retaliation Scheme.

The old story of retaliation by England against the United States because of the McKinley tariff is being revived. The Jackson Patriot quotes a writer in the London Economist favoring "retaliation" by placing a discriminating duty on American products, and claims that England could get a full supply of breadstuffs from other countries than the United States that are more liberal in regard to trade. Such a policy would absolutely wreck farming in this country. The writer referred to census statistics to show that England could dispense with the entire American import without advancing the Liverpool market perceptibly, while it would close the American output for over \$170,000,000, or about seventy per cent of our entire foreign trade in American farm staples. Should England make such a discrimination it would place the American farmer at the mercy of the hawks and vultures until trade could be cultivated with other countries, making our farming and grazing lands almost valueless. Well might the Blaines of America denounce the bill and urge reciprocity as its only redeeming feature."

Police Board Dispute.

It is likely that the dispute in re-

gard to which of the two police boards is the lawful one will soon be settled by the Supreme Court. The old board maintains jurisdiction according to the provisions of the city charter, and their terms of office have not yet expired, and the members believe they are lawfully entitled to act as such.

During the last session of the state legislature an amendment to the charter was secretly compiled, as far as regards the people of Alpena generally, and this amendment was passed by the Republican legislature. One provision of that amended charter legislated out of office all the members of the police board, and formed a new board consisting of five members. By that act the legislature claimed the right to deprive persons lawfully elected, and whose terms of office have not expired, of their offices, and in place thereof substitute other persons, in whose election the people had nothing to do. If the state legislature has the right to deprive members of the police board of their offices, then it has the right to legislate out of office ever township, county, and city officer, and substitute creatures of their own in places thus made vacant. Such power really takes away from the people the right to say who their officers shall be, and we do not believe the people of this country will permit such monstrous assumption of imperial power, as it destroys the principles of a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, and one for which thousands and thousands of lives have been freely offered to maintain.

The members of the old board believe that the state legislature acted unconstitutionally in legislating them out of the offices they were legally elected to fill, and they deny the right of the legislature to pass such infamous laws. Consequently they have refused to resign their positions until the Supreme Court shall pass upon the question, and decide whether the legislature has the constitutional right to legislate them out of office and appoint others in their places.

To bring the question before the Supreme Court the new board, last Wednesday appointed J. W. Gibson as marshal, but Mr. Gibson declined the position, and on Saturday the new board again met and appointed Samuel Boggs as marshal. The intention is to have the new marshal demand the books and control of the police force, which will be refused, and then the court will be asked to issue an order to place the new police board in control and recognize Mr. Boggs as city marshal. Such action brings the whole question before the court, but their decision will be final and settle the dispute.

The sooner the dispute is settled the better it will be for this city, as it will remove all doubt as to which board is the legal one.

Council Proceedings.

The Common Council of the city of Alpena met in regular session, in the Council Room, on November 5th, 1893, and was called to order at 7:30 o'clock, p. m. by the Mayor.

Present, Andrew Harshaw, Mayor, Wm. A. McDonald, Recorder and Aldermen Blakley, Holmes, White, Ellis, Bowden, D. A. Campbell, Wixson, Crawford, A. Campbell, Daoust and Beck.

Journal of session held Oct. 16th, 1893, read and approved.

COMMUNICATION.

From O. L. Partridge, presenting a plat of his 2nd addition to the city of Alpena, and asking that the same be approved. Also, from W. E. Rogers, presenting a plat of Rogers & Dafoe's addition to the city of Alpena, and asking that the same be approved.

Moved by Alderman A. Campbell that the Council take a recess of five minutes to examine said additions. Carried.

At the expiration of the time Council called to order, all members being present.

Moved by Alderman A. Campbell that the plat of Partridge's 2nd addition be accepted and approved of, and also that Dafoe & Rogers' addition be accepted and approved of with the understanding that the right of way between the city and township be dedicated to the city without cost. Carried by unanimous vote.

From Wm. Padden, wanting to rent the market stalls. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, with power to act on motion of Alderman Blakley.

REPORT OF OFFICERS.

From the Comptroller recommending the payment of the following bills:

Chas. E. Cheney,	37 50
F. H. Luther,	11 20
Gebhardt, Morrow & Co.,	98 00
Johnston, Collins & Co.,	238 18
Spence Bros.,	12 25
Patrick Gibbons,	66 12
Mary Shaw,	1 25
Churchill Laundry,	5 08
Eddy Bros.,	4 98
Echo Publishing Co.,	1 25
Monaghan & Co.,	2 25
H. E. Wittehofer,	2 27
Chas. Asmelt,	2 00
Alex. Daoust,	2 00
Chas. Cook,	2 00
August Law,	2 00
Huron Lumber Co.,	2 00
Wm. Wixson,	5 73

Moved by Alderman White that the report of the Comptroller be received and warrants ordered drawn for the payment of the several amounts as recommended. Carried by unanimous vote.

From the Chief of the Fire Department, recommending the payment of the following amounts:

Hose Co No. 1,	\$80 00
Hose Co No. 2,	\$80 00

On motion of Alderman Daoust the report was accepted and warrants ordered drawn for the payment of the same, by unanimous vote.

From the Committee on Ways and Means, recommending the payment of the following bills:

H. E. Wittehofer,	23 81
A. H. Briggs,	41 08
Telephone Co.,	100 00

C. Viall of \$108.76 be referred to full council.

From the Committee on Fire Department, a verbal report, recommending that the Water Co. be instructed to lay a water pipe on Mill street north, 400 feet, and that a hydrant be located at the end of said extension.

Moved by Alderman Blakley that the report of the committee be received and their recommendations concurred in, and the Water Co. notified to lay said water pipe. Carried by unanimous vote.

UNDER LAURELS.

Moved by Alderman Blakley that the Street Commissioner be instructed to commence in the morning to clean the streets.

Alderman A. Campbell objected and the matter went over under the rules.

Moved by Alderman A. Campbell that the city Attorney be instructed to prepare to appeal the Comstock Bros. tax case to the Supreme Court. Carried by unanimous vote.

Moved by Alderman Blakley that the Council adjourn. Lost by vote as follows: Ayes, Blakley, Holmes, White, Ellis, Bowden and D. A. Campbell. Nays, Wixson, Crawford, Manion, A. Campbell, Daoust and Beck, the chair voting in the negative.

Moved by Alderman A. Campbell that the Chief of the Fire Department be instructed to hire a driver for the Hook and Ladder Truck.

Alderman Ellis objected, and the matter went over under the rules.

Moved by D. A. Campbell that the Council adjourn for one week.

Moved by Alderman Blakley, as an amendment, that the Council adjourn. Lost by vote as follows: Ayes, Blakley, Holmes, Bowden and Manion. Nays, Wixson, Crawford, A. Campbell, Daoust and Beck.

The original motion was put and carried by vote as follows: Ayes, White, Ellis, D. A. Campbell, Wixson, Crawford, A. Campbell, Daoust and Beck. Nays, Blakley, Holmes, Bowden and Manion. ANDREW HARSHAW, Mayor.

Wm. A. McDonald, Recorder.

The Forum for November.

The November Forum contains a long list of valuable articles by noted writers on important topics. Prof. H. Von Holst, the eminent constitutional historian, in discussing "The Decline of the Senate," offers a scathing criticism of present Senate methods in an article entitled, "Shall the Senate Rule the Republic?" "The Senate in the Light of History" is the heading given to a searching analysis of the character and capacity of present senators, as compared with the Senate of Webster, Clay and Calhoun. Paul Bourget, the distinguished French novelist, writes charmingly about "The New Moral Drift in French Literature"—claiming high rank for Emile Zola. Gen. Adam Badeau, formerly military secretary to General Grant, in Hamilton Fish: "The Old Guard and the New" explains for the first time Motley's dismissal as Minister to England and the quarrel between Sumner and Grant. "Southern Sentiment and Mob-Law" is again discussed this month by the venerable Chief Justice Blakley, of Georgia, in "Negro Outrage No Excuse for Lynching," and by Walter H. Page, Editor of the Forum, who calls mob-law "The Last Hold of the Southern Bully," and tries to indicate an effective remedy. John R. Proctor writes on "America's Battle for Commercial Supremacy," showing how this country is steadily overtaking England in her control of the world's commerce.

"Canada and the Problem of Annexation," by John Castell Hopkins, an English Canadian, who justifies "Canadian Hostility to Annexation," and by Louis Frechette, the celebrated Canadian poet, who boldly declares for "The United States for French Canadians." Dr. John S. Billings, of the Surgeon-General's office, treats this month of New York and Brooklyn, in his series of expert investigations on municipal sanitation. Wm. Morton Payne, Associate Editor of The Dial, makes "Is Christianity Losing Ground?" notes a topic of wide and absorbing interest, effectively discussed from different standpoints. Dr. C. A. Briggs, in "The Alienation of Church and People," by Prof. Felix Adler, who writes on "Modern Secularism and Ethical Culture," and Dr. Paul Ceras, of Chicago, who considers "The Dawn of a New Religious Era," in connection with the recent Parliament of Religions.

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